

## Message Text

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ACDA/WEC - COL. BODRON(SUBS)  
DOD/DSAA - LTC. PERKINS  
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R 141755Z JUN 77  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY DOHA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MASS, QA

SUBJECT: QATAR'S REQUEST FOR .50 CALIBER MACHINEGUNS

1. QATARI REQUEST FOR MACHINEGUNS POSES NO POLICY PROBLEMS.  
APPROVAL HOWEVER DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN WE WILL BE ABLE  
TO PROVIDE THE GUNS.

2. BROWNING M2 IS NO LONGER IN PRODUCTION. START UP COSTS  
TO REOPEN PRODUCTION LINE COULD BE PROHIBITIVE ESPECIALLY  
FOR SMALL QUANTITY SUCH AS THAT REQUESTED BY GOQ. EVEN IN  
EVENT SUFFICIENT ORDERS WERE ON-HAND TO WARRANT RENEWED  
PRODUCTION, LONG LEAD TIMES FOR DELIVERY COULD BE EXPECTED.

3. THE FOLLOWING U.S. COMMERCIAL CONCERN INDICATED THEY  
CAN PROVIDE M2 MACHINE GUNS:

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GATEWAY INTERNATIONAL CO.  
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4. GOQ MAY WISH TO CONTACT ABOVE FIRMS DIRECTLY. CHRISTOPHER

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## Message Attributes

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